## Practice Fire & Carbon Monoxide (CO) Safety During Fall & Winter Weather



## **Space Heaters**

- · 1,700 fires per year
- 80 deaths
- 160 injuries

Based on CPSC annual estimates

- 1. Keep combustibles at least three feet away.
- 2. Use a wall outlet and never a power strip.
- 3. DO NOT leave running unattended in a confined space to reduce hyperthermia hazards.



## **Generators**

- More than 700 CO poisoning deaths from 2010–2020
- Majority of deaths between Nov.-Feb.

Based on CPSC report

- 1. Use portable generators outside only, at least 20 feet from home.
- 2. Never use a generator inside a home, basement, shed or garage, even with the door(s) open.



## **Smoke & CO Alarms**

- 1. Install smoke alarms on every level of the home and inside each bedroom.
- 2. CO alarms should be placed on every level of the home and outside sleeping areas.
- 3. Test the alarms every month to make sure they are working.

